Preliminary Amendment

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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 14, with the following amended paragraph.

The present invention was made with support by the ARL Collaborative Technology Alliance in Power and Energy, Cooperative Agreement No. DAAD19-01-2-0010, and P.O. #RBJ 77312 awarded by Caterpillar, Inc. (DOE Prime #DE-FC05-970R22579). The government may have certain rights in the invention.

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Amendments to the Drawings

The attached "Replacement Sheets" of drawings are primarily formalization of the figures that were originally filed. One minor amendment to Figure 2A includes the addition of reference numeral 45, which was inadvertently omitted in the figure that was originally filed.

A marked-up copy of amended Figure 2A, labeled "Annotated Marked-up Drawing," is included for the Examiner's convenience.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

Annotated Sheet Showing Change